8th Grade Expository Essay

Choose one of the following topics for your expository essay.

**Topic 1**: Each of us owns something we treasure. Your object may not seem special to anyone else, but it has meaning to you. Write an essay explaining why this object is so important in your life. Use details and anecdotes to indicate the object’s importance.

**Topic 2**: Whom do you admire? The person might be a coach, a teacher, a star, or a friend. Write an essay explaining why a certain person is deserving of your admiration. You may or may not personally know this individual, but provide details that explain why this person has earned your admiration.

**Topic 3**: “Dress for success” is a phrase all of us have heard before, but it means something different to each person. Write an essay explaining what “dress for success” means to you.

Guidelines:

* Follow the five-paragraph format for expository essays.
* Be sure to create a bold beginning and interesting ending.
* Use at least 3 Smiley Face Tricks.
* Use vivid vocabulary and descriptive adjectives.
* Use a variety of sentence structures.
* Be sure to revise and edit your essay before beginning your final copy.